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Response to Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review

This is a response to *Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review* filed on 03/13/06. The application as well as the argument for the outstanding 103 rejections has been reviewed by the examiner with supervisory examiners James Housel and Brenda Brumback. The rejection made by the previous office Action is proper and maintained.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Bao Qun Li whose telephone number is 571-272-0904. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:00 am to 3:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James Housel can be reached on 571-272-0902. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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